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PREFACE.

THESE Selections have been carefully arranged for the regular services of the Sabbath, for the Sunday-School, Missionary Meeting, and Family Worship.

The aim of the Editor has been to adapt the Selections to the topical arrangement of hymns in the "Manual of Praise," as this arrangement is both natural and convenient in its order and development.

Though some of the prophecies, narratives, and didactic passages cannot be arranged in parallelisms, yet their adaptedness to all occasions makes them appropriate to Responsive Worship.

The Italic lines are for the minister; the Roman, for the people, and the lines in small capitals for both minister and people.

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SELECTIONS

FOR

Responsive Readings.

PSALM 93.

- 1 *The Lord reigneth, he is clothed with majesty ;*
The Lord is clothed with strength, wherewith he
hath girded himself :
The world also is established, that it cannot be
moved.
- 2 *Thy throne is established of old :*
Thou art from everlasting.
- 3 *The floods have lifted up, O Lord,*
The floods have lifted up their voice ; the floods lift
up their waves.
- 4 *The Lord on high is mightier than the noise of*
many waters,
Yea, than the mighty waves of the sea.
- 5 *Thy testimonies are very sure :*
Holiness becometh thine house, O Lord, forever.

PSALM 99.

- 1 *The Lord reigneth ; let the people tremble :*
He sitteth between the cherubim ; let the earth be
moved.
- 2 *The Lord is great in Zion ;*
And he is high above all the people.
- 3 *Let them praise thy great and terrible name ;*
For it is holy.

- 4 *The king's strength also loveth judgment; thou dost establish equity,*
 Thou executest judgment and righteousness in Jacob.
- 5 *Exalt ye the Lord our God,*
 And worship at his footstool; for he is holy.
- 6 { *Moses and Aaron among his priests,*
 { *And Samuel among them that call upon his name;*
 They called upon the Lord, and he answered them.
- 7 *He spake unto them in the cloudy pillar:*
 They kept his testimonies, and the ordinance that he gave them.
- 8 *Thou answeredst them, O Lord our God:*
 { *Thou wast a God that forgavest them,*
 { *Though thou tookest vengeance of their inventions.*
- 9 *Exalt the Lord our God, and worship at his holy hill;*
 For the Lord our God is holy.

PSALM 117.

- 1 *O praise the Lord, all ye nations:*
 Praise him, all ye people.
- 2 *For his merciful kindness is great toward us:*
 And the truth of the Lord endureth forever.
 PRAISE YE THE LORD.

PSALM 146.

- 1 *Praise ye the Lord.*
 Praise the Lord, O my soul.
- 2 *While I live will I praise the Lord:*
 I will sing praises unto my God while I have any being.
- 3 *Put not your trust in princes,*
 Nor in the son of man, in whom there is no help.
- 4 *His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth;*
 In that very day his thoughts perish.

- 5 *Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help,*
Whose hope is in the Lord his God :
- 6 *Which made heaven, and earth, the sea, and all that therein is :*
Which keepeth truth forever.
- 7 *Which executeth judgment for the oppressed :*
Which giveth food to the hungry.
The Lord looseth the prisoners :
- 8 *The Lord openeth the eyes of the blind :*
The Lord raiseth them that are bowed down :
The Lord loveth the righteous :
- 9 *The Lord preserveth the strangers ; he relieveth the fatherless and the widow ;*
But the way of the wicked he turneth upside down.
- 10 *The Lord shall reign forever,*
Even thy God, O Zion, unto all generations.
PRAISE YE THE LORD.

PSALM 147.

- 1 *Praise ye the Lord : for it is good to sing praises unto our God ;*
For it is pleasant ; and praise is comely.
- 2 *The Lord doth build up Jerusalem.*
He gathereth together the outcasts of Israel.
- 3 *He healeth the broken in heart,*
And bindeth up their wounds.
- 4 *He telleth the number of the stars ;*
He calleth them all by their names.
- 5 *Great is our Lord, and of great power :*
His understanding is infinite.
- 6 *The Lord lifteth up the meek :*
He casteth the wicked down to the ground.
- 7 *Sing unto the Lord with thanksgiving ;*
Sing praise upon the harp unto our God.

- 8 *Who covereth the heaven with clouds, who prepareth rain for the earth,*
Who maketh grass to grow upon the mountains.
- 9 *He giveth to the beast his food,*
And to the young ravens which cry.
- 10 *He delighteth not in the strength of the horse :*
He taketh not pleasure in the legs of a man.
- 11 *The Lord taketh pleasure in them that fear him,*
In those that hope in his mercy.
- 12 *Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem ;*
Praise thy God, O Zion.
- 13 *For he hath strengthened the bars of thy gates ;*
He hath blessed thy children within thee.
- 14 *He maketh peace in thy borders,*
And filleth thee with the finest of the wheat.
- 15 *He sendeth forth his commandment upon earth :*
His word runneth very swiftly.
- 16 *He giveth snow like wool :*
He scattereth the hoar-frost like ashes.
- 17 *He casteth forth his ice like morsels :*
Who can stand before his cold ?
- 18 *He sendeth out his word, and melteth them :*
He causeth his wind to blow, and the waters flow.
- 19 *He shoneth his word unto Jacob,*
His statutes and his judgments unto Israel.
- 20 *He hath not dealt so with any nation :*
And as for his judgments, they have not known them.

PRAISE YE THE LORD.

PSALM 148.

- 1 *Praise ye the Lord. Praise ye the Lord from the heavens :*
Praise him in the heights.
- 2 *Praise ye him, all his angels :*
Praise ye him, all his hosts.